

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE

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DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

Name of Proposal: ZIRKLE FRUIT CO-GRASSCARP-BEVERLY (UPPER)

Description of Proposal: Plant triploid (sterile) grass carp into Beverly Upper Pond, with no public access, to control aquatic vegetation. Future restocking may be necessary due to fish loss.

Proponent/Applicant:

ZIRKLE FRUIT CO Attn Harold Austin 25751 Hwy 243 S. Mattawa, WA 99349

Location of Proposal Grant County; Section 26, Township 16 North, Range 23 East WM

Lead Agency: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

WDFW has determined that this proposal will likely not have a significant adverse impact on the environment. Therefore, state law¹ does not require an environmental impact statement (EIS). WDFW made this determination of nonsignificance (DNS) after we reviewed the environmental checklist and other information on file with us.

We issued this DNS according to state rules.² We will **not act on this proposal for 14 days** from the date we issued the DNS. Agencies, affected tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on this proposal or DNS. We must receive your comments within 14 days of the date of this letter. This means we must receive your comments by July 13, 2011.

Method of Comment:

The following procedures shall govern the method to comment on agency SEPA proposals. Comments received through these procedures are part of the official SEPA record for this proposal.

You can submit your comments any one of the following ways:

- Email to <u>SEPAdesk2@dfw.wa.gov</u>
- Online at the WDFW SEPA website comment link at: http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/
- Fax to (360) 902-2946;
- Mail to the address below.

Responsible Official: Teresa A. Eturaspe

Position/Title: SEPA/NEPA Coordinator, WDFW Regulatory Services Section

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After the comment period closes, applicants may view the updated status of this proposal on the WDFW SEPA website: http://wdfw.wa.gov/licensing/sepa/. Once the status is posted as final, applicants and permittees may take action on the proposal. When a proposal is modified or withdrawn, notice will be given in accordance with state law. \(^1\)

If you have questions about this DNS or the details of the proposal, contact Teresa Eturaspe at the address, e-mail, or fax number above; you can also call her at (360) 902-2575.

DATE OF ISSUE: June 29, 2011 SIGNATURE: Tuesa A. Clurage

Footnotes

1. RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c)

2. WAC 197-11-340(2).

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